



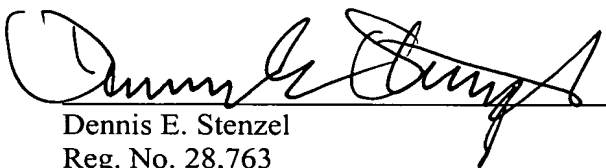
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For the reasons stated, early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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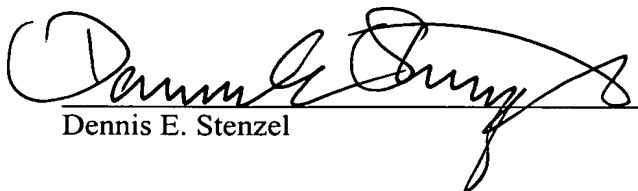


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